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In re Application of :  
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Application No. 10/615,577 :  
Filed: July 8, 2003 :  
Attorney Docket No. RIEM-0001 :

**ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed June 2, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely reply to the non-final Office action mailed February 12, 2004, which set a one (1) month period for response. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on March 13, 2004. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on September 8, 2004.

It is not apparent whether the statement of unintentional delay was signed by a person who would have been in a position of knowing that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. Nevertheless, in accordance with 37 CFR 10.18, the statement is accepted as constituting a certification of unintentional delay. However, in the event that petitioner has no knowledge that the delay was unintentional, petitioner must make such an inquiry to ascertain that, in fact, the delay was unintentional. If petitioner discovers that the delay was intentional, petitioner must so notify the Office.

Additionally, the application file does not indicate a change of address has been filed in this case, although the address given on the petition differs from the address of record. A change of address should be filed in this case in accordance with MPEP 601.03.

Furthermore, there is no indication that petitioner herein was ever empowered to prosecute the instant application. If petitioner desires to receive future correspondence regarding this application, the appropriate power of attorney documentation must be submitted.

A courtesy copy of this decision will be mailed to petitioner. However, all future correspondence will be directed to the address of record until such time as appropriate instructions are received to the contrary.

The file is being forwarded to Technology Center 3600 for review of the response filed June 2, 2006, *in due course*.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3228.

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